

Dear Fellow PVSers

And now we have a new trip to offer – always-snowy Keystone in the first week in April run by Bob Knopes. Keystone is one of the few places where you never have to worry about great snow and Bob has a great trip planned. Give him a call and put it on your calendar!

Never wanting to be accused of being "the unexamined club," we have appointed a committee to look at trends in PVS membership and skiing. If you have historical information to share get in touch with Jim Slack, our committee chair.

See you on the slopes - soon! President



MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, October 17, 2000, 7:30 p.m. Home of Sally Finan and George Welti 11311 French Horn Lane, Reston, VA 22091



Directions: From Beltway, exit onto Route 273 (Dulles Toll Road). Exit at Hunter Mill Road, turning left. Turn right onto Sunrise Valley Drive. At first traffic light, turn left onto South Lakes Drive. At first traffic light, turn left onto Twin Branches Road. After passing Lake Audubon, turn right onto Glade Drive. Go 0.9 of a mile to a left on Tumbletree Way and immediately go left onto French Horn Lane. The Finan/Welti home is at the end of the cul-de-sac.

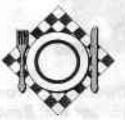
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FIFTH ANNUAL FALL FOLIAGE WEEKEND - BLUE KNOB SKI AREA

October 7 - 9. \$10 per night, PP. 2 nights minimum. Continental Breakfast. Hiking, Golf, Flea Markets, RR Museum, SPA. Skiing (weather permitting???). Be the first to venture to the ski slopes. If interested. (at the time there is no waiting list) Call Betty Lawrence (703) 759-0471. Accomodations limited.

MIDWEEK BIKE 'N LUNCH

W&OD Trail -- Ashburn to Leesburg Thursday, October 26, 2000 10:30 AM



Starting Point: VA Rte. 28 & W&OD Trail Parking Lot.

Route: 20 mile round trip ride on the flat W&OD trail to Leesburg and return with short detour near end to the Old Dominion BrewPub for lunch. This is a BrewPub which is an associated with an adjacent award-winning microbrewery. This is one of the most popular rides among local cyclists. Call leader if you need specific directions to starting point. Leader: John Matthews (301) 589-7612

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THURSDAY OCT. 12, 2000 11:00 A.M.

Piano 300: Celebrating Three Centuries of People and Pianos

To commemorate the 300th anniversary of the piano, invented circa 1700 by Bartolomeo Cristofori (1655-1732), this exhibition examines the influence of the Piano and highlights the American History Museum's distinguished collection. On view are almost two dozen instruments from the museum's collection; manuscripts by such composers as Mozart, Chopin, Liszt, Gershwin, and Ellington tools; photographs; play bills; sheet music; and other memorabilia.

PIANO 300 explores the piano as a complex machine, a handsome work of decorative art, and the vehicle for a infinite variety of human expression, reflecting technological, cultural, and social changes from the Industrial Revolution through the present day.

THE TOUR:

We will meet in the exhibit area at the S. Dillon Ripley Center of the Smithsonian Institution (This is the little round building just to the West of the Castle) at 11:00 AM to tour the exhibit ourselves. The exhibit is on the third level down (below ground). At 12:00 there is a one hour Performance Tour in which a professional pianist describes many of the pianos and plays demonstrations appropriate to the music of each vintage of piano.

For those who also wish to join us, we will have lunch in the Associates Dining room at 1:00PM

ARRANGEMENTS:

Call John Smith (301-299-8376) for additional information, to organize car pooling (parking is available only at the L'Enfant Plaza garage), for directions by subway, and to reserve a place at lunch.

1ST ANNUAL FRANK SHELBURNE MEMORIAL MIDWEEK HIKE AND LUNCH AT CAFE MILETO FRIDAY OCT. 27TH

We will meet promptly at 10:30a.m. at the Boat House on Clopper Lake in Seneca Creek State Park, and hike the circular trail around the lake. The trail is flat and the short (4.0 mile) hike will build up our thirst and appetite for lunch at Cafe Mileto. Lunch at Cafe Mileto is excellent, and the Mussels are almost as good as those served by Roland at Auberge Les Alleghenys in Sutton, Quebec. Interested PVSers should contact George Hicho (301) 963-1836. Lunch is also open to non hikers. Lunch time is anticipated at approximately 1 p.m.

Directions: Proceed north on I-270 to Gaithersburg and take exit 10 Clopper Road. Go north on Clopper Road past NIST for a couple of miles, the road narrows and Seneca Creek State Park entrance appears on your left. Enter the Park, bypass the Visitors Center on right, and then turn right after passing the Contact Station. Proceed a few hundred feet, and turn left on first paved road, and follow to the parking lot by the Boat House where we will meet for the hike.

Frederick people should proceed south on I-270, exit Quince Orchard Road, go west to the second traffic light, turn right on Clopper Road, and proceed as above.

OLNEY THEATER & DINNER - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29

See this classic satire about society -- The Madwoman of Chaillot -- a hilarious comedy as well. Matinee performance is at 2 p.m. at the Olney. Stay for dinner with other PVSers afterward if you can--at the Blue Ox Cafe in the Town Center Mall on the way back to Olney.

The bargain price is \$20 for the show, assuming that as many as 15 people sign up. To reserve, call Jeannette Albersheim (301-598-7525). She must receive your check made out to her for \$20 by Oct. 19. Her address is 3574 Fiske Terrace, Silver Spring, MD 20906-1729. Please say whether you plan to go to dinner.

Directions to Olney Theater: It is located on MD Rte 108 in Olney, MD, I 1/2 miles east of Georgia Avenue (RTE 97) and 2 miles west of New Hampshire Avenue (Rte 650). Take Connecticut Avenue exit off 495. Go approximately 8 miles north to the intersection of Connecticut and Georgia Avenues. Turn left onto Georgia and follow it north 5 miles to the intersection of Georgia and Rte 108. Turn right on 108 and follow it I 1/2 miles to Olney Theater on the left. Lots of parking if you veer to the right into the new lot behind the theater.

> As of September 26th, eighty-four members have signed up for the 35th Anniversary Dinner on Saturday, November 4th at 6:30PM. Deadline is October 23rd.

Driving directions: Bolling Air Force Base Officers' Club

From Virginia:

So Aniversal Dime Updatel Take Beltway I-495 S towards the Woodrow Wilson bridge. (Note I-495 becomes I-95 N after Springfield). Continue on I-495/I-95 over the Woodrow Wilson Bridge into Maryland. At Exit 2, take I-295 N toward Washington, DC. Proceed 4-5 miles to exit 2, marked Malcom X Avenue, Bolling AFB, exit 2. As you come out of the cloverleaf, you will see the Bolling gate house.

From Maryland:

Take I 95 S towards Virginia. At exit 2, take I 295 N towards Washington, DC. Proceed about 4-5 miles and follow signs for Bolling Air Force Base as above. (There are other ways to get there, but these directions were recommended by the club).

At the Security Gate:

Identify yourself as a participant in Potomac Valley Skiers' dinner party at the Officers' Club, and be prepared to show a picture ID. When cleared, turn left at the first stoplight and proceed a few blocks down Duncan Avenue. When you have passed the white church on the left, go one more block and turn left. The club is the large, square, light, brick building behind the swimming pool. There should be plenty of parking.

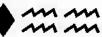
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December 17 Your Chance to See Broadway's 1999 Tony Award Winning, Musical Hit



The NY Times raved "Pure Exhilaration! Terrifically Entertaining ". USA Today gushed "Explodes Onstage. Danced and Sung by a Brilliant Ensemble" Dancer, choreographer, director, legend. Bob Fosse's sexy style and unique vision revolutionized musical theater in Sweet Charity, Chicago, Cabaret and Pippin to name a few. Now, his ground-breaking work is back. PVS has special, group rate tickets at the National Theater for the smash hit. We're going to the matinee, 2:00 pm performance of Fosse on Sunday December 17. Tickets are \$68.00 each, that's 10% off the \$75.00 price (and includes \$0.50 per ticket handling). Just 24 seats available, and they must be paid for in full at the end of October. It's first come first served. Call Margaret Wyckoff at (301) 589-5532 now. And mail your check for \$68.00 for each ticket (payable to Margaret Wyckoff) to her at 8100 Park Crest Dr. Silver Spring MD 20910. There is also the possibility of an optional post theater dinner at *Les Halles* French Restaurant around the corner. Let Margaret know if are interested.

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NATIONAL SKI AND SNOWBOARD EXPO

Ballston Common Mall in Arlington, VA Glebe Road & Wilson Blvd. November 3, 4 & 5, 2000

Over 100 exhibitors! Door prizes! Demos and clinics! Warren Miller's newest movie! Ski Swap! Grand prize trip to Mr. Tremblant! Hours: Friday - 4 to 9 p.m.; Saturday - 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Sunday - 12 to 6 p.m.

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PVS SKI TRIPS 2000 - 2001

Jan.	22-29, 2001
Feb.	10-17, 2001

The Cnayons

Steamboat

Feb. 28=- Mar. 7, 2001

Nancy & Ray McKindley

Don/Dillon

April 2-9, 2001

Telluride

Bob Knopes

Barbara Leonhardt

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PVS - Steamboat - 2001

Mon. Jan. 22 - Mon. Jan. 29, 2001

The Steamboat Grand Hotel where we are staying is due to open October 1 and you can view an update at <u>www.steamboatgrand.com</u>. We have two of the group dinners set and are working on the third. All of the airlines imposed a second \$20 fuel surcharge about Sept. 15 but we just learned that United has exempted those with advance reservations like ours from this cost. We would have ticketed on Sept. 22 to avoid this second surcharge as described at the Sept. meeting but now that is no longer necessary. The first \$20 fuel surcharge is already built into the trip. We still have a short waiting list for the trip. Within a couple of weeks, we will be sending you pertinent trip details including the amount of your final payment (due Nov. 23), airline information, etc. If you have any questions, please call Barbara or Fred at 301-963-8111

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SKI TELLURIDE

Quoting Oct. 2000 SKI magazine's reader survey for 2001, TELLU-RIDE ranks 25th in the top 60 resorts: Medals: Gold for terrain, challenge, dining, and scenery. Silver for service, weather, lodging, apresski, and off- hill activities.

OPEN FOR A FEW MORE. Need single man.

Join our great group including the Flahertys, Marquardts, Strands, Schwartzbards, George Hicho, Bob Knopes, Shirley Rettig, Joe Blum, and newer prospective members and guests, Maryann Rozzell, Joel Edelstein, Bob Schafer, Cheryl Shauck, Tom McKenna and, your leaders, Don and Kathy Dillon.

FEBRUARY 28 — MARCH 7, 2001

\$1575/70 & OVER \$1340 CALL 301 330 5371 NOW

This is a DELUXE TRIP, Ski-in, Ski-out, Double occupancy Accommodations, all-jet air from Reagan National leaving at the convenient hour 9AM, 2 dinners, several apres-skis, pre-trip party, easy transfers by van, and 5/6-day lift ticket. You will love Telluride and Mountain Village, Colorado. If you have not been there recently you will be glad you came, because you will experience great and beneficial changes. Easy and intermediate runs now dominate the landscape. Great snow, 2 new quad chairs, a free gondola system to town and no lift lines await us.

February 10-17, 2001, join Nancy and Ray McKinley to Ski

the Canyons, Utah

Ski with us at the West's newest mega-ski resort, the Canyons, in Park City Utah. The Canyons now covers eight different mountains. One mountain is totally black runs. And, the Canyons has the most intermediate runs in Utah! If you skied the Canyons a year or two ago it's now a totally new resort—twice as large. Today the Canyons is the largest ski area in Utah--3,400 acres! 7 high speed quads mean no lift lines. It's perfect for PVS with a base at 6700 feet and 9900 feet at the top, so scant altitude problems.

Need Single Woman Who Loves Luxury. Hurry--only 3 spaces left.

We'll stay slopeside at the Grand Summit. The Grand Summit Resort Hotel is Utah's **newest and largest ski-in/ski-out hotel**, having opened in March, 2000. Amenities include: **luxuriously furnished** rooms, full service **health club**, soothingly heated, swim in/swim out pool, 3 whirlpools, steamroom, **sauna**, **massage**, **fine dining**/bistro, lounges, concierge, room service, and only 40 feet from the new high speed gondola!

OUR PRICE - \$1584, 65+ \$1552, LAND ONLY \$1295

If you have any questions, or need our flyer, **call Nancy or Ray at (703) 527-7126**. To sign up send your check for \$850.00 payable to Ray McKinley, to 2326 North Upton Street, Arlington, VA 22207-4045.

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SKY KEYSTONE IN THE SPRING APRIL 2 - 9, 2001

Luxury slopeside accommodations in new River Run Suites, an easy walk to the gondola. Lift tickets good for Keystone, Breckenridge and Arapahoe Basin and almost 2,000 acres of varied terrain. Keystone has won a gold medal for terrain, lifts, grooming and family and a silver for snow, challenge, service, weather, access, food, lodging, off-hill activities and scenery from SKI Magazine. Last year skiing was excellent into late April.

River Run is a beautiful pedestrian village filled with shops, restaurants, a microbrewery, nightlife and events. Brick-lined streets wind through the village past elegantly designed buildings of stone and rough wood.

PACKAGE INCLUDES 6 DAYS, 7 NIGHTS IN KEYSTONE, AIRFARE, TRANSFERS, BAG HANDLING, 5-DAY LIFT TICKET, HAPPY HOURS AND GROUP DINNERS.

Cost will be approximately \$1195. For more information or to reserve a space call Bob Knopes at 703-690-2039 or drop an e-mail to BKnopes@Mindspring.com.

ARGENTINA

by Bob Harmon

For some of us the trip to Argentina got off to a terrible start as a flight delay caused us to arrive a day late, but from then on the rest of the trip made it all worthwhile. We started off in Bariloche, an attractive town in the Andes on the shore of the 50-milelong Lake Nahuel Huapi. The ski area, Cerro Catedral, was about 12 miles distant but easily accessible by bus. The town, the lake, and ski slopes are all contained within the vast (2-million-acre) Nahuel Huapi National Park, which borders Chile. Cerro Catedral is a resort of modest pretentions — an enjoyable enough ski resort but not one you would travel thousands of miles to just for the skiing, and the skiing, to put it kindly, was somewhat less than fabulous owing to weather and snow conditions, but even so, I believe all those who tried got in at least one or two good days of skiing.

But the lack of good skiing didn't really matter all that much, because tours were arranged for those who were interested which took us by bus, van, or boat onto Lake Nahuel Huapi and its "arms," along the shores of one of the many lakes in the park, or on roads into the interior of the park. On all sides there was fascinating flora and avifauna and spectacular scenery, always with the high mountains of the Andes not far distant in the background. Between this area and Iguazu, the bird-watchers among us were able to add scores of new birds to their lists.

After five days in Bariloche we flew to Buenos Aires, a modern, very Europeanappearing city, where our hotel was located on the Avenida 9 de Julio, said to be the widest avenue in the world, and I don't believe any of us would question that claim! On our first full day there we went on a "Gaucho Tour" at an "estancia" (ranch) some distance north of the city. It commenced with a humongous sit-down barbeque lunch consisting of 3 kinds of salad and successive courses of chorizo sausage, blood sausage (which didn't have many takers), steak, and chicken, all accompanied by a plenteous supply of wine, followed by a pastry dessert. Then there was tango dancing and other entertainment on stage, followed by dancing for the rest of us (not including the tango), and finally a display of horsemanship which featured most notably gauchos riding at full speed trying to thrust a lance through a small suspended ring, as we sometimes see at fairs in this area.

Other activities while we were in Buenos Aires included a city tour, an excellent dinner at the Italian restaurant La Parolaccia (Italian for "naughty word") followed by a tango show at a nearby dinner theater, and one day most of us took the 50-minute boat trip across mouth of the Rio de la Plata to Uruguay where we visited the town of Colonia. There was nothing of outstanding interest in the town, but the visit did give us a quick peek at a country which most of us had never seen, plus an excellent lunch at a local restaurant.

From Buenos Aires we flew to Iguazu where the highlight, of course, was the awesome (this overused word truly applies here!) Iguazu Falls, over 1 1/2 miles wide but broken up by convoluted cliffs into 275 separate falls, according to our guide. Some of the cliffs thrust forward while others are far to the rear in such a way that it is impossible to see the entire falls from any one vantage point at ground level. The individual falls range in size from huge cascades to narrow trickles. Often you could see two or three rainbows in the mist at the foot of the falls. Some of us put up with the red tape necessary to get a visa in order to view the falls from the Brazilian side, where at the head of the trail were many coati-mundis looking for a hand-out. These are raccoon-like animals but brown and with longer noses than raccoons.

I thought it was interesting to note that on the ski slopes at Cerro Catedral, nearly 900 miles southwest of Buenos Aires and at a latitude corresponding to that of New York City in the Northern Hemisphere, the weather was very wintery indeed. In Buenos Aires, at a latitude corresponding to that of L.A., the temperature was moderate -- probably in the 60s and 70s. In Iguazu, about 700 miles north of Buenos Aires and roughly corresponding in latitude to Miami, the temperature was in the 90s and the humidity very high, much like that of D.C. in mid-summer.

I believe we all enjoyed partaking of the gustatory delights of Argentina which included its world-famous beef, chocolate, which is a specialty of Bariloche, and all over the place we encountered dulce de leche in desserts, sauces, and chocolates. My research revealed that it is nothing more than sweetened condensed milk, perhaps gussied up with vanilla or some other flavor. When I got home I discovered that, unbeknownst to me, I had dulce de leche ice cream in my refrigerator!

It seemed that this trip was beset with an unusual number of hassles resulting mainly from wrong room assignments at two hotels and delayed flights at several stages of the way, all of which Ray and Nancy handled very smoothly. But it must have been highly stressful at best, and I would say they deserve special thanks for leading an enjoyable and most unusual trip.

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Crabfeast 2000

All those crabs attracted 54 people to Betty Lawrence's home on September second. And they were tender and juicy. Of course, some people came just as an excuse to eat the creative salads and desserts brought by the participants. The Schulers even brought a 18 inch crabby cake.

The most amazing thing about that storm threatened Saturday is that the skies rumbled and roiled above us but not a drop fell on us. The only wetness that some had to contend with was the water in the swimming pool. On the other hand, Carol Parmenter returned home after a futile attempt to battle traffic caused by terrific deluges in Baltimore.

Thank you, Betty, for all your hard work and gracious hospitality. The rain knew to stay away !

SEPTEMBER MEETING

The first meeting of the fall season was held on September 19 at the Alexandria home of Dorrie and John Waddick. Earlier in the day Washington was inundated by rains from Hurricane Gordon, but by meeting time the skies had cleared, and PVSers were able to appreciate the Waddicks' garden and new brick terrace and--with amazement-- the new sunroom built by John. These attractions were so beautiful they even managed to draw PVSers occasionally away from the delicious food.

After President Nancy McKinley called the meeting to order, Ray McKinley and Charles Huggins filled us in on coming events. Serge Triau introduced the ski trip leaders who gave reports on the trips. Steamboat is now full with a small waiting list, the Canyons and Telluride can use a few more people, and the new April trip to Keystone is wide open!

Our thanks to Dorrie and John for a good meeting and a great sendoff for the 2000-2001 ski season!.....Shirley Rettig

GLEN ECHO TO WOODEND via bicycle

The September bicycle ride involved cycling from Glen Echo to Bethesda. On the north side of Bethesda lies Woodend, a mansion designed by John Russell Pope (architect for the National Gallery of Art and Jefferson Memorial) which was bequeathed to the Audubon Naturalist Society and now houses their offices and a small museum. A volunteer docent gave us a brief history of the mansion (completed in 1929) which was quite interesting. Guest trip leader Jean Mielczarek (enthusiastic bicyclist, cross-country skier, and birder) showed us around the stuffed bird cases.

Then the group cycled back to Bethesda for a healthy gourmet lunch al fresco at the Thyme Square Cafe, which fronts directly on the bike path. PVS participants in the group of I6 included Marvin Hass (asst leader), Shirley Rettig, John Matthews (now back in the saddle (bike) again), and Penny Hanshaw. In case you are now regretting having missed this enjoyable event on a sunny day, check out the PVS Web Site for a couple of photos of the occasion.Marvin Hass

BRSC FALL MEETING (September 23, 2000)

S. Triau

D. Taylor, C. Huggins, M. Hauss, and S. Triau attended the BRSC meeting, hosted by the Crabtowne Ski Club in Annapolis, MD. Besides the normal business meeting items and the exchanging of information among all the ski clubs, the attendees voted on the Eurofest and Western Carnival ski trips for the 2001-2002 ski season (yes that is correct -one year after this coming season!). The BRSC Western Carnival is scheduled for February 2-9, 2002 at Banff, Canada. The Eurofest BRSC ski trip is scheduled for March 8-16, 2002 at Chamonix, France. The PVS Ski Trip Committee (STC) will consider these trips in the PVS trip plans for the 2001-2002 season.

THE PVS WEBSITE



If you haven't yet accessed the PVS Web Site, try it! A number of new features have been added. First of all, the PVS Home Page is now password protected. PVS members have reported no trouble logging in as the password should be obvious to all members. Admittedly, even an amateur computer hacker could gain access to our Web Site. However, we introduced password protection just to keep out the casual snooper, who would be very disappointed anyway as the photos on our Web site are far from ever being considered "arousing" unless of course one is turned on by images of "mature" skiers.

A new feature on the Home Page is a list of recently-added items, usually posted in the previous two months. Thus users can now readily access the new stuff. Current new items include photos of the Argentina trip (more expected), the Crabfest and Oktoberfest, in addition to usual pictures of monthly meeting hosts and bicycle events. New items are posted every couple of weeks or so--check for them. Also, you might whet your appetite for skiing this winter by clicking on links to ski areas and other sites of special interest such as BRSC.......Marvin Hass



by Ray McKinley

THE KNEE

It's the rise of fall. And just in the nick of time as Summer was getting a bit

old. Despite being merely the rise of fall, on Sept 21st Helena, Mont. received 2" of snow! And, returning from Los Angeles on Sept 22nd, I spied over a dozen snow covered Rockies. On Sept 24, Cheyenne, WY had over a foot of snow. Goodbye *la Nina*, hello snowy winters!

This column is over twentknee one years old. That means I've gone through over 250 Knees. No wonder they're so sore!

It's been difficult trying to reach <u>Bill</u> <u>Anderson</u> of late. No, he isn't lost returning from a PVS event (actually he did get lost, but more on that, below). <u>Bill</u> sold his Chevy Chase home immediately after it went on the market, and had to move. He moved into a vacant unit in <u>Jean</u> <u>Strickland's</u> compound. After a month, the owner returned and he moved in with <u>Jamie and Shahrsad</u> <u>Miller</u>. Finally, in October <u>Bill</u> will move into his final resting place, or is it new apartment? It is in the same complex as <u>Marianne Cook's</u> abode.

Now hear this! <u>Bob Harmon</u> has an exhibit of his recent paintings at Gallaudet University, where he taught before retiring.

The Knee received a nice note from new Texan June Kelsay confirming last month's rumor that she had moved. June hopes to ski with PVS, and has volunteered to run a one week Ski San Antonio trip. Perhaps with a 2nd week at Liberty?

Did you know that artist <u>Sylvia Lukins</u> was one of the founders of Alexandria's Torpedo Factory? <u>Sylvia and Wally</u> now spend almost six months each year on Nantucket Island. <u>Sylvia</u> has a small art gallery there.

As you may recall, newlyweds <u>Annemarie</u> and <u>Walt Brenner</u> met when they were both at Sun Valley with their ski clubs. This winter they plan to ski in Germany and Banff with <u>Walt's</u> California ski club. It's a club that blames all misfortune on earthquakes -- called Club San Andreas Fault. A few final notes on Argentina: whilst there <u>Annemarie</u> managed to flush a ski glove down the toilet. It went counterclockwise.

When our Argentine group visited Evita's mausoleum it was pouring rain. As the sopping group returned to the tour bus, <u>Alice Swalm</u> had the reigning comment, "We cried for Argentina."

Several of us were discussing the splendor of Iguazu Falls at a recent meeting. <u>Sally Finan</u> chimed in with extremely vivid memories—and she was at Iguazu over 10 years ago. (<u>Sally</u>, by the way, is doing "super" after her recent heart valve replacement surgery and has signed up for several ski trips this coming winter. Right on!)

At one of our hotels, instead of Ski Group, we were Sky Group. And <u>Jim Slack</u> spent a morning with egg on his face. A small piece of the morning's omelette lodged in his beard!

It was to be a great PVS nonevent. Power boaters <u>Nancy and Ray Garrett</u> were to meet up with sailors <u>Chris and Janet Waln</u> on Labor Day in the Solomon Islands. Unfortunately, rain caused a cancellation. PVS' Labor (Day) lost.

Earlier, the Knee asked you how many US states you have skied in. As of last month the leaders were <u>Charles Huggins and Jack Peoples</u>, both with 15 states. Several of you put forth lists of 10 or 11. But <u>Sheldon Drews</u> took the lead with 17 states, including the only PVSer to ski Connecticut and Rhode Island. <u>Bing Poon</u> claims to have skied in 18 states, but has not provided a list. Please tell me if you skied any nontraditional states, like Hawaii, and about your personal list.

And now the <u>Bill Anderson</u> Award for Getting Lost Attending a PVS Event. Indeed, <u>Bill</u> qualified for this award. He, chauffeuring three PVSers, went over the wrong bridge into D.C. and took a "lovely" hour long tour of SW and SE D.C. However the winner is, ta-ta, <u>Aina Thomas</u>. She and <u>Myron Marquardt</u> carpooled to Oktoberfest at <u>Jim Slack and Mary Ward's</u>. <u>Aina</u>, who has coordinated this event for years, told <u>Myron I</u> know how to get there, so I'll navigate. And get there they did. They even arrived 10 mins. early. Unfortunately, <u>Aina</u> got them to <u>Betty Lawrence's!</u>

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